

Semper Library Mission Statement

Our library mission is to provide a quality school library that can increase student achievement and promote lifelong learning by providing access to high quality materials and instruction.

Information literate students are competent, independent learners. They know their information needs and actively engage in the world of ideas. They display confidence in their ability to solve problems and know what relevant information is and how to use it.

They manage technology tools to access information and to communicate. They operate comfortably in situations where there are multiple answers, as well as those with no answers. They hold high standards for their work and create quality products. Information literate students are flexible, can adapt to change, and are able to function independently and in groups.



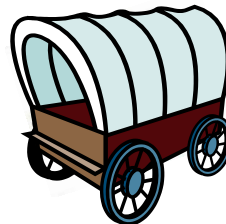
What is the role of the school librarian in your child's education?

According to research, a quality school library can increase student achievement and promote lifelong learning. Schools that are the highest performing include a qualified librarian who focuses on the following components:

Collaboration: Librarians work with teachers to design authentic lessons and assessments to meet all curriculum standards. Librarians partner with teachers, sharing their love of literature and learning.

Leadership: Librarians advocate for information literacy as a basic component of authentic, independent learning. They are active participants in the instructional team in the school.

Educational Technology: Librarians are leaders in the school's use of all kinds of technologies — both instructional and informational — to increase student achievement through collaboration.



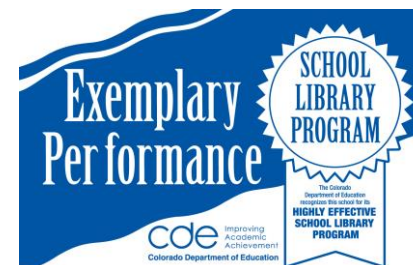
Semper Elementary



Library

**Tammy Langeberg
Teacher-Librarian**

National Board Certified Librarian
Jared Polis Teacher Recognition Award 2011
Member of Highly Effective School
Library Program since 2001
Highly Effective School Library Recognition
at Semper 2014-2017



**Library Clerk
Karen Kitching**

9:30-11:30 and 12:30-2:30 daily

Welcome to Your Library!

We have over 16,000 books and many materials available here for students and teachers to use.

Students may check out:

- “Extra Picture” books (picture books)
- Fiction books (chapter books)
- Non-fiction books
- Magazines
- Encyclopedias and reference books (only for in school use)

Kindergartners may check out one book at a time.

1st through 6th graders may check out to two books for two weeks at a time. They can renew the book for two more weeks if no one else is waiting for it. Students are allowed to check out more books for research projects as needed.

Each student has access to the library on an as needs basis and through collaboration with the librarian and teachers. There are also library lessons and projects to help students with subjects such as the Dewey Decimal System, technology, genre, and book selection. We have self checkout for grades 3-6.



Periodically we will send an overdue notice home with your child if he or she has an overdue book or you will receive an email with information about the book. We do not charge fines; however, your child will not be allowed to check out any more books until the overdue books are returned.

If a book is lost or damaged beyond repair, payment will have to be made before students can check out new books.

Our library has a computerized catalog and circulation system called TLC. Students do not need a library card to check out a book. We offer Semper Library Cards (student ID) to do self checkout in grades 3-6. We encourage you to get a Jeffco Public Library card to use the materials and databases they have available too!



Parents are welcome in the library too!

Our library is open to parents and the community to check out books or ask questions. The library is available for meetings such as PTA and parent curriculum meetings. Check at the office for information.

Some Important Dates 2014-2015

Read Aloud MonthOctober

Fall Book FairOctober 13-16

Read Across America Day.....March 2
(celebrated February 27)

Race to Read.....March 30-May 8

National Poetry Month.....April

National Children's Book Week.....May 4-10

All library books due!!.....May 14

Spring Book Fair.....May 12-15

Night of Fire and Thunder.....May 16

We **LOVE** parent volunteers in the library! There are many, many ways you can help. Whether you have a little or a lot of time, you can make a difference to all our Semper students. Call the school at 303-982-6460 or email Ms. Langeberg at tlangebe@jeffco.k12.co.us to volunteer!

You can learn more about our library at the Semper web site by going to:

<http://tinyurl.com/m29r3ay>

